



Band Boosters Meeting Minutes

August 15 , 2011 - 6:30 p.m.

Meeting was called to order by Steve Whitaker with a motion and a 2nd. Previous minutes will be available after meeting.

President Whitaker thanked all the many volunteers who helped with Band Camp and uniform assignment.

He reminded everyone that a Fall calendar was emailed by Mr. Smart on Friday August 12. There were a few copies available for those without email.

He announced to everyone that band fees should be paid via check or money order. This should have the child's name in the memo portion. He also reminded those using a school owned instrument of the additional \$50 fee which is due immediately. Returning auxiliary members were reminded that new or extra wind suit pieces are not included in their fee schedule. Anyone with questions concerning band fees should contact Dr. Smart at the school or via email at jsmart@tcss.net or countyhighband@gmail.com .

(A payment schedule is included on the calendar mentioned above)

Dr. Smart addressed the boosters and announced that two additional required performances have been scheduled.

1. September 17 St James Festival in Montgomery, AL
2. October 3 Crimson Cavalcade at Northridge High School.

He also mentioned upcoming honor band opportunities including:

1. Auburn Marching HB 9/24 d/l 8/19
2. UAB All Star Marching Band dates TBA
3. Samford HB 1/ 5-7 Deadline 11/14.
4. UAB HB 12/8-10

President Whitaker continued the meeting mentioning other dates the band will be performing:

1. Senior recognition night will be Thursday 10/13
2. The Homecoming bonfire will be Thursday 10/20.
3. The Homecoming Alumni program will be Friday 10/21 at 10:00.
4. The Homecoming pep rally will be Friday 10/21 at 2:00.
5. The Homecoming parade will be Friday 10/21 at 4:00.
6. An in school Veteran's Day program will be held on November 10.
7. The West Alabama Christmas Parade 12/5.
8. Fine Arts Night 12/8.

It was asked if transportation would be provided for these events. Specifically the students were asked to carpool to the homecoming parade as there is not time or space for buses. There will be transportation provided for the Christmas parade.

There was a vote to change booster meeting back from 6:00 to 6:30, remaining on the 2nd Monday night of each month. The October meeting will not be held on 10/10 as that is during Fall Break.

Dr. Smart addressed that there will be no Fright Night show this year, but there will be a Middle School Night. Also, there will be no Spring Trip this year, but he is looking at a trip to Washington DC in April of 2013. He also commended the students for the improvements in responsibility and being prepared.

Some information about away games was addressed. Dr. Smart mentioned that parents not chaperoning can follow the band buses to away games. Those following should not get between buses. Students not riding buses home after away games will need to board the buses for roll call and then be checked out by a parent. This is contingent on prior written notification. The Foley trip is planned on being a one day trip.

He also explained the new arrangements for home games. The band will perform pregame near the field house and then sit in the top left section of the stands above the student section.

Dr. Smart also addressed a question by a parent stating that school owned instruments can be checked out from at home practice time.

President Whitaker continued by presenting some volunteer needs.

- a. Jimmy and Casandra Swindle agreed to continue as the Parking Chairpersons.
- b. Chaperone Health Forms are needed on file and were available to be completed at the meeting.
- c. The retail supplies need to be inventoried and reordered. A time of Thursday August 18 was set to do this.
- d. Two non senior parent volunteers were enlisted for Senior Recognition Night- Beth Ramey and Denise Kizziah.
- e. Kim Weeks was presented and approved by the nominating committee as the Uniform Committee Chairperson. Thursday night will also be used to finish work needed on uniforms.
- f. A list of chaperone duties was requested from the floor.

Cathy Bolling acting Fundraising Committee Chairperson presented the details of the Chik-fil-a fundraiser to take place on Saturday August 13. Volunteer parents will take groups for 4 to 5 students to neighborhood in the County High area to sell coupon sheets for \$20 each. The profits will be split 50/50 between the participating students and the band program.

Orders were taken for Chaperone shirts which are to be worn during games only by volunteers working parking, concession stand or actually chaperoning.

A motion to adjourn was made and seconded and the meeting was closed.